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## Obama: Failure to reduce debt will hurt economy

President rallies college students to his cause

By Mark S. Smith  
The Associated Press

ANNANDALE, Va. — President Barack Obama promoted his plan to scale back spending without slashing aid to education, energy and science, acknowledging to a town hall crowd that mounting deficits could inflict "serious damage" on the country.

In an appearance at Northern Virginia Community College in suburban Annandale, Va., Obama blasted Republican alternatives to deal with federal budget problems, while at the same time predicting the two deeply divided parties would ultimately find a compromise on spending priorities.

"I'm optimistic. I'm hopeful," Obama said in his campaign-style outing. "Both sides have come together before. I believe we can do it again."

Obama's pitch came as his re-election bid is now under way in earnest. He is traveling across the country this week with a message that the government must reduce its staggering debt by cutting defense spending and health care costs, increasing taxes on the wealthy and protecting priorities he deems untouchable.

The president and House Republicans are vying for control of a suddenly surging national debt debate. Obama said his plan spreads the burden more fairly than a rival House Republican plan that would cut roughly the same amount of spending through budget cuts and an overhaul of the Medicare and Medicaid health care programs.

Speaking in a gym packed with college students, Obama made a direct appeal for the youthful support that helped propel him to the White House. He shaped the debt discussion in terms his audience would care about — college loans,

gas prices, tight budgets — and asked the young adults to rally behind him.

"I'm going to need your help. I can't afford to have all of you as bystanders in this debate," Obama said.

"I want you to hold me accountable," he said. "I want you to hold all of Washington accountable. There's a way to solve this deficit problem in an intelligent way that is fair and share sacrifice so that we can share opportunity all across America. But I can't do that if your voices are not heard."

The president whittled the debt debate to a matter of basic philosophy. He said he wants shared sacrifice and Republicans do not.

"We can't just tell the wealthiest among us, 'You don't have to do a thing. You just sit there and relax and everybody else, we're gonna solve this problem,'" he said.

At issue is Obama's stand that families with incomes above \$250,000 should pay higher taxes; he extended tax cuts for wealthier families as part of a political deal with the GOP late last year but now wants to end those tax breaks. The Republican plan would cut taxes.

The president offered infrastructure as another example where he is unwilling to reduce federal spending. He described an American transportation system that could be marred by collapsing bridges, deepening potholes and poorly functioning airports if certain projects aren't protected.

Obama spoke a day after the White House released tax returns showing that he and his wife, Michelle, reported income of \$1.73 million last year. They paid about a quarter of that, or \$453,770, in federal taxes.

The president acknowledged his own tax bill gave him pause.

## working toward a greener city

Mayor, Tree Commission teach elementary students about trees at Arbor Day event

By Asia Rapai  
Assistant City Editor

The city worked to teach future generations about the importance of trees through its annual Arbor Day event.

It was celebrated at Crim Elementary School where a tree was planted and 5th grade students were awarded for designing arbor day posters with the theme, "Trees are Terrific and Energy Wise." The students were also given trees to take home and plant.

"The city of Bowling Green works

very hard for Arbor Day throughout the entire year," said Mayor John Quinn.

Quinn spoke to the students and presented a proclamation about Arbor Day and explained that the city is part of Tree City USA, which it has earned 18 consecutive Tree Growth Awards through.

Being a part of Tree City USA includes four major components: the Tree Commission, a commu-

nity tree ordinance, a community forestry program with an annual budget of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Quinn also gave some information about the

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## FEUDING KAPPAS



DUEL: Kappa Alpha and Kappa Delta battle in the finals during Alpha Omicron Pi's "Family Feud" event. Alpha Omicron Pi hosted the event to raise money for Juvenile Arthritis.

ANDREA FEHL | THE BG NEWS

## High school students encouraged to seek degree, but given no direction

While high schools prepare students for college work, they do not instruct students about working world

By Connie Cass  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Young adults say high schools are failing to give students a solid footing for the working world or strong guidance toward college, at a time when many fear graduation means tumbling into an economic black hole. Students who make it to college are happy with the education they get there; an Associated Press-Viacom poll says.

Most of the 18- to 24-year-olds surveyed gave high schools low grades for things that would ease the way to college: A majority say their school wasn't good at helping them choose a field of study, aiding them in finding the right

college or vocational school or assisting them in coming up with ways to pay for more schooling.

If schools did these things better, it could make a significant difference, because young people already are enthusiastic about higher education. Two-thirds say students should aim for college, even if they aren't sure yet what career they want to pursue. Almost as many say they want to get at least a four-year degree themselves.

The majority of high school students probably won't end up with a college degree, however. Among those a few years ahead of them — today's 25- to 34-year-olds — only about a third hold a bachelor's or

higher degree, according to the Census Bureau. Less than 10 percent get an associate's degree.

So getting students ready for work remains central to high schools' mission. And most young people say their school didn't do a good job of preparing them for work or helping them choose a future career. They also give high schools low marks on exposing them to the latest technology in their field and helping them get work experience, according to the poll conducted in partnership with Stanford University.

Learning real-life job skills is important to students such as Mary Margaret Rice, 18, who likes her regional vocational high

school in Wakefield, Mass. "I'm getting training to weld," she said.

Rice is interested in joining the military, but not in more schooling after graduation. "Money is a reason," she said, "but the main reason is I can't really focus on classwork and homework."

Overall, only 4 in 10 young people voice strong satisfaction with their high school education. About as many are "somewhat satisfied." Almost a fifth are unsatisfied — twice as many as expressed unhappiness with college.

Lovina Dill says she wishes the two high schools she attended in

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## CAMPUS BRIEF

### City housing survey available to students

Students living off campus, as well as permanent city residents and landlords, are asked by Off-Campus Student Services to complete a survey assessing the relationships between permanent residents and students.

The deadline to complete the survey is April 22.

At the city council meeting Monday, Heather Saylor, planning director for the city, encouraged city council members to inform residents about the survey. She said it will be used to analyze any issues involving students living in the community.

Andy Alt, assistant dean of students, emailed students with a link to the survey. Alt is managing the surveys, which are confidential and should take about 10 minutes to complete.

Students who include their email address at the end of the survey will be entered into a raffle for a \$100 gift card to the University Bookstore.

For more information about the survey, students can call Off-Campus Student Services at 419-372-2843.

### CAMPUS

#### Greeks host tournament

Alpha Sigma Pi and Alpha Chi Omega organized a Mud Volleyball event to benefit the Livestrong Foundation and Cocoon Shelter. See photos | Page 2

### FORUM

#### Abortion film sparks discussion

"Refracture: An Abortion Film" does right by starting a dialogue about abortion, but might still be biased toward the creators' beliefs, says columnist Kate Noftsinger | Page 4

### SPORTS

#### Falcons finish spring practice

The BG football team had its 15th and final practice of the spring Tuesday morning as the Falcons addressed the mistakes they made in Friday's game | Page 6

### PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What part of the environment would you have a celebration for?



HANNAH BURNSIDE  
Freshman, Middle Childhood  
"The atmosphere, because pollution is gross" | Page 4



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# MUDDY MOMENTS

Alpha Sigma Phi, Alpha Chi Omega host Mud Volleyball tournament to raise money for the Livestrong Foundation, the Cocoon Shelter

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**TOP:** Senior Monica Fiely of Alpha Phi serves the ball during Alpha Chi Omega and Alpha Sigma Phi's Mud Volleyball philanthropy event.**MIDDLE:** Alpha Chi Omega and Alpha Sigma Phi host a Mud Volleyball tournament behind Perry Field House to raise money for the Cocoon Shelter and the Livestrong Foundation.**BOTTOM:** Freshman April McCoy sits to warm her feet after her team, Alpha Phi and Pike, defeated Delta Gamma and Tau Kappa Epsilon.

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## TREES

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history of Arbor Day. Arbor Day was started in Nebraska when a decision was made to plant nearly one million new trees to improve the quality of the land for the people living there in 1872.

Members of the city's Tree Commission were also at the school to express the importance of Arbor Day to the children.

Tree Commission Director Tom Striggow said the city does this every year and rotates which schools host the ceremony.

The Tree Commission consists of five members and the city's arborist Dave Bienemann who meet monthly and are appointed by the mayor to manage the city's trees.

Striggow said the city is lucky to have an arborist as many cities cannot afford to have one, and

cities will typically eliminate an arborist before a police officer or firefighter to save money.

"It's given us the opportunity to be proactive, not reactive, to citizens," Striggow said.

Bienemann was hired in 2004 to create and manage a staff to deal with the trees in the city.

Striggow said citizens' complaints related to trees were previously dealt with at monthly meetings. The

arborist has taken on the responsibilities that three separate areas of the city, including Public Works Department and Park and Recreation, had to manage before, such as trimming, clearing trees from power lines and planting trees.

"Now I'm the one person in charge of all of the trees, instead of having citizens go through several foremen, supervisors and bosses about them," Bienemann said. "We've

gotten a better handle on it and have good communication with citizens."

There are 8,400 trees on city property, at public parks and green spaces. These "urban forests" are meant to maintain wildlife diversity, higher property values, air and water quality, storm water management, energy savings from summer and winter extreme temperatures and quality of health, according to the city.

Crim Elementary School

Principal Dan Sheperd said people should pay attention to the number and quality of trees in the city compared to other cities. He said Bowling Green's Tree Commission and arborist have helped to make trees an important part of the city.

National Arbor Day is officially on the last Friday in April, but states celebrate it on different days depending on the best tree-planting times, according to the Arbor Day Foundation website.

## LEARNING

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California had taught her how to deal with the ups and downs of the real world. She could have used a class in "what happens if you can't get a job, and the unemployment rate rises and nobody can find a job." Dill said she

was briefly homeless when she was laid off and unable to find a job using her certification in massage therapy.

Dill, now 21, self-employed and living with her father in Arcadia, La., thinks high schools should offer juniors and seniors workshops on how to get a job, how to build a career and the many educational options besides

a four-year degree.

The one category where young people rated high schools best was preparing them for further education: 56 percent say their school did a good or excellent job at that. Those who went on to college or trade school gave their high schools better marks than those who didn't.



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## PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What part of the environment would you have a celebration for?



"I don't care, because who honestly cares?"  
**HARRISON HAINES**, Senior, Asian Studies



"The gulf coast, because of the health risk associated with the oil spill."  
**TIM STREETMAN**, Senior, Political Science



"Water, because we can't live without it."  
**CHRISTINE KIM**, Junior, Environmental Science



"The rainforest because they're decreasing rapidly."  
**ALLISON SCHMIDT**, Freshman, Middle Childhood Education

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## Film takes step for abortion dialogue



**KATE MOFTINGER**, COLUMNIST

It's not often I get to attend a movie premiere, nor is it often I get to indulge in a movie about abortion. So you can imagine my surprise when I stumbled upon a Facebook event promising both right here on campus.

Sunday's film screening promised to answer the question, "where do you go to have the abortion conversation?" And "Refracture: An Abortion Film," was offering itself as the obvious answer. Paired with an ambiguous title, the 20-minute exchange of ideas enticed students and faculty the same way popular motion pictures lead viewers to the box office — pandering to their curiosity.

Anyone with access to a dictionary could tell you "refracture" means "to alter by view through a medium." And that is precisely what filmmakers Katie Breidenbach and Alicia Riedel were attempting to do.

But "refract" can also mean to deflect from a straight path. And that would be a more accurate description of what happened in the Union theater Sunday evening.

Whether the film's original vision was political, spiritual, artistic, or something entirely different is unknown. Perhaps it aspired to be all that and more. The opinions expressed were those of individuals "sharing their professional and personal experiences with abortion in the United States." For those who wanted to gain insight and reach an understanding, it seemed like a great jumping off point.

The Facebook page created to promote "Refracture" said this: "Using the exact

words of nearly 30 real people, 'Refracture: An Abortion Film' breaks open the abortion debate as never seen before. Seven actors strive to accurately portray this multitude of opposing perspectives on abortion and, confined to a single room, begin a cross-fire of intense dialogue that illuminates one of the biggest controversies of our time. All that's left is to listen."

I frequently write about reproductive rights, and the abortion debate has reached a fever pitch. Citizens and lawmakers have divided the country into teams supporting life or choice, labeling the opposition inhumanely against whatever it is that they themselves are advocating. There's no space for civil dialogue, just confrontation in the form of public protest.

Breidenbach and Riedel took on an ambitious project, and I applaud their efforts. In fact, I would support a real discussion where perspectives similar to the ones they represented came together and talked through their differences.

But this film quickly confirmed what the skeptics had known all along. Representations of abortion are difficult and tend to justify the beliefs of their creators, whether they meant to or not.

"Refracture" focused on emotional responses rather than factual information, so I hesitate to call it a documentary. Each monologue is layered in such a way that no character actually addresses the other's concerns. Misconceptions hang in the open completely unchallenged.

Breidenbach and Riedel never claimed to be journalists. They made no promises to investigate the testimonies they gathered. However, there were several factors, perhaps

unintentional, pushing this movie further from objective observation and closer to blatant propaganda.

The imagery affiliated with the film was a broken flower split in half, torn in two different directions. Flowers are often used as a metaphor for women's sexual purity and this could be seen on the screen as well as the program. Additionally, the duality suggests an either/or decision, over-simplifying a very complicated issue. If pulled in one direction, you support abortion. If pulled in the other, you are opposed. Middle ground is non-existent.

The music was uneasy and provoked tension at a heightened level for the duration of the film. Instigating auditory panic doesn't set a tone for conversation or understanding. And somber notes better accompanied words like "genocide" rather than "empowerment."

Beyond these elements, the presentation of the perspectives seemed to lean in a particular direction.

Referring to a pregnancy center volunteer as a "nurse" gave a religious entity medical credentials she simply doesn't have. The website for Toledo's pregnancy center confirms "a laboratory quality pregnancy test" will be administered by "a kind peer counselor" — not a nurse.

And the non-nurse in the film claimed she only wants to "help" women. Yet the "pro-life" position of the pregnancy (crisis) center is also spelled out online. While the facility says it will present women with all of their options, they "do not refer for abortion, but we do have vital statistical and anecdotal information to share. As with any medical procedure, it's important to make an informed choice. We

can be the first step in the crucial decision making process. We'd love to help."

In other words, they'd love to talk you out of it — and a positive pregnancy test followed by an ultrasound is just the way to bully young women into continuing an unwanted pregnancy.

Meanwhile, portrayals of the "pro-choice" voices became overly-dramatic and stereotypical. While their opponents remained cool, calm and collected, those advocating women's rights were excitable caricatures as seen through the eyes of the "pro-life" movement.

And their quotes were extracted in such way that it was unclear who or what they were talking about. As one abortion proponent attempted to discuss clinic violence, it was never mentioned that "they" were the religious extremists attempting to forward their "pro-life" agenda with threats, harassment, and worse.

Lastly, suggesting the audience "just sit back and listen" discourages critical thinking, as if this whole mess could be handled in under a half hour. Unfortunately, that was not the case.

I'll be the first to admit personal bias is nearly impossible to stifle. Seriously — I write columns.

And again, the directors may not have realized their own viewpoints were dominating their medium. But the notion of real dialogue was a step in the right direction that I wholeheartedly endorse. So I thank Breidenbach and Riedel for thinking outside the box and I would only encourage more meetings of the minds in this heated social arena.

Respond to Kate at [thenews@bgnews.com](mailto:thenews@bgnews.com)

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For nearly a century, it seems, the University moved forward on the twin rails of shared governance and good faith — faith in our mission, our students, and, for faculty and administration, some faith in one another.

In recent history, that faith was tested by the adoption of a business model of education by the administration, coupled with a failure to understand that undervaluing one's workforce is, in fact, bad business.

Faculty salaries at the University stagnated (and continue to do so), and more and more faculty found their voices undermined or ignored. It became common for faculty to serve on ad hoc committees charged with addressing some aspect of the student experience, only for them to find their research and recommendations ignored.

The expectation appeared to be that committees would rubber-stamp plans that were already well advanced. Plans like Connecting the Undergraduate Experience, or CUE, were put together by costly consultants instead of by the people who best understand the needs of our students.

In voting for unionization, the University faculty began to see a glimmer of hope. Perhaps we could approach the state's average faculty salary, instead of languishing at the bottom of the pack. More importantly, maybe we would be able to bolster our Faculty Senate, the appropriate body to determine the educational experience that our students have when they come to the University.

Make no mistake: It is a union, the Faculty Association, that provides our best hope for restoring

shared governance at the University. For most of us who believe in the union, it has never been solely about the money and it has certainly never been about slacking off and living the easy life. Many of us want nothing more than to serve on a committee whose actions are not merely advisory so that we may work toward the improvements we so dearly need at this institution.

Students, your faculty want you to have an excellent educational experience. We want you to learn and grow and have a great time getting ready for the life that follows your undergraduate or graduate experience. What your administration wants is to take in the most money the state allows them to collect from the largest number of students, and it wants to slash programs and reduce your opportunities all across campus. Faculty serve you, but the administration serves a different master: the bottom line.

We must work to overturn Senate Bill 5, Ohio's union-busting legislation, for a number of reasons. One of these reasons is to protect Ohio's middle class, of course; however, I hope I've demonstrated that another reason to repeal this terrible legislation is to help Ohio's students. At all levels — from preschool to graduate school — teachers care about their students, and every day we work against forces that threaten your future. Senate Bill 5 is such a force, and we hope you'll join us in our fight.

Karen Craig  
Instructor, General Studies  
Writing  
Faculty Association  
Communications Director

## People can manipulate Interest Theory in relationships

By Juan Lopez

The Nevada Sagebrush  
(University of Nevada at Reno)  
College News Network

You know that old adage, "If you want something, go get it and don't stop until you got it?" It applies to most areas of life, but when it comes to relationships, it's complete cattle crap.

As sad as it is to say, when dealing with relationships, if you want something, you have to act like you don't want it.

Back in the day, when I liked

someone, I let her know it.

I would text her, send her pictures of random things, call her every so often and pretty much drop whatever I was doing to communicate with her. It turns out I was going about this the wrong way.

All the while I thought I was showing I genuinely cared for her and liked her, I was actually showing her that she had my complete interest whenever she wanted it.

Here's where my Interest

"You don't text them as often, you take longer to reply ... You act as if you don't care if B is there. Naturally, B starts to wonder what made you lose interest."

Theory comes into play.

You may have heard this before, but for those who haven't, the Interest Theory is as follows: Let's say you are person A and the person across from you right now is person

B. You really like person B. B is a cool cat.

You're constantly showering B with attention. Whenever B texts or communicates with you, without hesitation, you get back to them. But unlike

Christina Aguilera, it doesn't go both ways.

When you text B, he or she takes forever to respond and gives you plain answers. B doesn't ask questions or show much interest in how you're doing.

B knows they have you in the palm of their hand and can do whatever they please with you.

As lopsided as this situation sounds, this is the essence of the Interest Theory. But the flip side of this is when you, person

A, turn the tables.

You start limiting some of the interest you show B. You don't text them as often, you take longer to reply and ask fewer questions. You act as if you don't care if B is there.

Naturally, B starts to wonder what made you lose interest. Hence, they gain interest in what the issue is and start to text and talk with you more than in the past.

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# Wrapping up spring practice



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**STEPPING INSIDE THE POCKET:** Quarterback Trent Hurley sets and throws a pass during the spring game. Hurley and Matt Schiltz are competing for the starting job.

## Falcons address spring game errors, look ahead in final spring practice

By Paul Barney  
Sports Editor

The BG football team wrapped up spring in its 15th and final practice Tuesday morning with two intentions — fixing the mistakes it made in the spring game and talking about the first game of the season Sept. 1.

"We took some of the schematic errors we made in the spring game and we addressed those, making sure that everybody on both sides of the ball was clear with the breakdown, the alignment or assignment mistake and we got some blitz pick up work and we got some run play-action work,"

said BG coach Dave Clawson. "We devoted the last half-hour of practice to Idaho, just getting the guys thinking ahead and what we're playing for."

Clawson loved the way his defensive line played in the spring game and how it disrupted the quarterback. What he didn't like, however, was how his defense in the second half gave up four big plays, including a 60-yard connection from Matt Schiltz to Adrian Hodges.

"You can play 75 good plays, but if you let those four get over your head it can cost you a football game," Clawson said.

And when BG returns Aug. 3 for

**"You can play 75 good plays, but if you let those four get over your head it can cost you a football game."**

Dave Clawson | BG coach

summer workouts, Clawson said the team needs to be at a new level, including the offense line, which

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## Tressel's \$250,000 won't cover investigations

By Rusty Miller  
The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State athletic director Gene Smith said Tuesday that the \$250,000 fine levied against coach Jim Tressel for violating NCAA rules may not even cover the cost of the investigation.

"It'll probably eat up the whole \$250 (thousand)," Smith said. "I'm not sure. We haven't done

any projections."

Declining to address the ongoing NCAA investigation into Tressel's violation, Smith also said he didn't know when Tressel's problems would be resolved.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Smith said Tressel was supposed to apologize in March at a news conference on the situation but failed to do so, and that only after meeting with Smith did

the coach finally say he was sorry in a public forum.

Tressel has been suspended for the first five games of the 2011 season for failing to notify Ohio State officials of emails he received as early as April 2010 which said his players were selling autographs, uniforms, championship rings and

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Falcon baseball to play Ohio State

After Tuesday's game at Dayton was canceled due to rain and poor weather conditions, the BG baseball team travels to Columbus today for 6 p.m. game against the Buckeyes at Bill Davis Stadium.

Following their game with Ohio State, the Falcons will return home this weekend for a three-game series with Mid-American Conference foe Ohio beginning Friday at 3 p.m.

BG is 13-19 this season and is coming off a series win against Toledo.

Individually, the Falcons are led by short-stop Jon Berti, who is batting .413 with 43 hits and 18 RBIs. He had eight hits in BG's series against the Rockets.

On the mound the Falcons are led by right-handed pitcher Cody Apthorpe. Apthorpe, the Papa John's Athlete of the Week, threw his first complete game win Friday against Toledo, allowing just two runs on nine hits over nine innings.

The Buckeyes enter today's game coming off a series sweep of Michigan State.

Ohio State is 15-15 on the year and is led by Ryan Cypret, who has a .368 batting average with 42 hits and 22 RBIs.

### Jakubowski named Academic All-MAC

BG senior men's basketball point guard Joe Jakubowski was one of five student-athletes named to the 2010-11 Men's Basketball Academic All-Mid-American Conference Team on Tuesday.

Jakubowski, a business major with a 3.33 grade point average, was selected to the team for the second time, receiving the honor in 2008-09 as well.

He joins Akron's Steve McNees (4.0 GPA in physical education — sport science/coach), Buffalo's Byron Mulkey (3.371

GPA in higher education administration), Central Michigan's Jalin Thomas (3.65 GPA in sports studies), and Western Michigan's Alex Wolfe (3.35 GPA in mechanical engineering) on the team.

Jakubowski played in all 33 games for the Falcons this year as the team advanced to the second round of the Mid-American Conference tournament.

He played in every game in his career, and his 110 starts are the most for a BG player in 23 years. Jakubowski finished his career ranked fifth in school history in career assists (382), eighth in career 3-pointers made (130), and tied for 10th in career steals (124).

## BG softball hosts Detroit in doubleheader today

By The BG News Sports Staff

For just the fifth time this season, the BG softball team will enter a game having won in its previous outing.

The Falcons (5-24) snapped their 12-game losing streak Sunday when they crushed Toledo 10-2 for their first Mid-American Conference win of the season.

Today, BG will play the first two of six games this week as it hosts Detroit in a non-conference doubleheader at Meserve Softball Field. The first game is scheduled for 3 p.m.

The Titans, like the Falcons, also have five win this season, and are hitting just .215 as a team. Detroit is 5-25 overall and 0-10 in the Horizon League. Individually, the Titans are led by Erin Huddleston, who leads the team with four home runs and a .288 batting average.

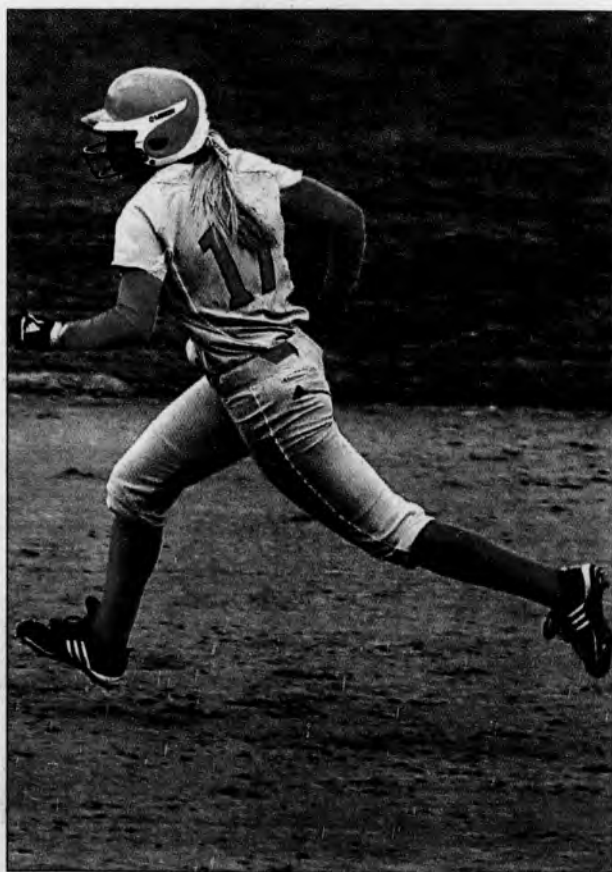
BG is 32-7 all-time against

Detroit and have not met since 2008, when the Falcons swept a doubleheader. Coach Shannon Salsburg is 6-0 all-time against the Titans in her career.

While BG is struggling as a team this season, sophomore Paige Berger has continued the success she displayed last season, when she set a new school record for most home runs in a season.

This past week she had the second multi-home run game of her career with two in the first game of a doubleheader against No. 24 Notre Dame. The two homers gave her eight on the season and 20 for her career, moving into third place all time at the University.

Berger is six home runs behind Gina Rango (26 home runs from 2003-06) and just 12 behind current pitching coach Hayley Wiemer-Bradford (32 homers from 2006-09) for the all-time school record.



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**ROUNDING THE BASES:** Andrea Amey races to third base in a game earlier this season.

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#### BG continues play on the road

After a second place finish at the Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational this past weekend, the BG men's golf team will look for similar success at the Bollenmaker Invitational. Pick up Friday's paper for a full preview.

### WOMEN'S GOLF

#### MAC Championship this weekend

The BG women's golf team will finish its season this weekend at the MAC Championship in Nashport, Ohio. Pick up Friday's paper for a full preview.



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## TRESSEL

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other memorabilia for money and tattoos from the owner of a local tattoo parlor.

Five players, including starting quarterback Terrelle Pryor, were suspended in December for accepting the improper benefits. All were permitted to play in Ohio State's Sugar Bowl victory over Arkansas, with their suspensions beginning with the first game this fall.

Tressel, in his 11th year coaching the Buckeyes, did not disclose what he knew about the players' violations until he was confronted by Ohio State officials in January while the university was building the appeal of the players' suspensions.

Ohio State released a copy of Tressel's NCAA compliance form to the AP on Tuesday through a Freedom of Information Act request. In the form, dated last Sept. 13, Tressel certifies that he has reported any NCAA violations to his superiors.

Yet he had known for five months that the players had likely broken NCAA rules — and had told no one except for forwarding the emails to Pryor's 67-year-old mentor and friend in Jeannette, Pa.

The compliance form, which all Ohio State staff members must sign, states: "By signing and dating this

form, you certify that you have reported through the appropriate individuals on your campus (OSU President, Gordon Gee; OSU Athletic Director, Gene Smith; Faculty Athletics Representative, John Bruno; or the Athletic Compliance Office) any knowledge of violations of NCAA legislation involving The Ohio State University that occurred during the 2009-2010 academic year through the time you sign this form."

Tressel printed his name, signed his name and then dated it.

Smith would not say how much the investigation into Tressel's NCAA troubles would cost, although the university has hired two what he called "expensive" companies to help. He said Ohio State may have to make up the difference by dipping into the money the Buckeyes made from their appearance in the Sugar Bowl.

"It's a nightmare," he said. Smith declared the players' case closed. Their violations had come to light when the U.S. Attorney's office notified Ohio State that it had come across a large amount of athletic merchandise after searching the home or business of Columbus tattoo-parlor owner Edward Rife. Rife was the subject of a federal drug-trafficking case.

Smith said he was relying on the U.S. Attorney's investigation, which said the players — also includ-



**Jim Tressel**  
Entering his 11th year as coach of the Buckeyes

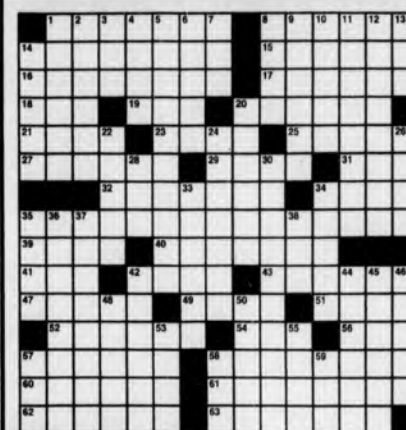
ing wide receiver DeVier Posey, offensive lineman Mike Adams, tailback Dan Herron and defensive end Solomon Thomas — did not acquire drugs for the memorabilia.

Tressel called the players' actions "very disappointing" at a December news conference announcing their suspensions. Three weeks later, after winning the bowl game, Ohio State officials uncovered the emails he had exchanged in April and June with Christopher Cicero, a Columbus lawyer who was a former football walk-on in the 1980s.

Ohio State notified the NCAA of Tressel's potential violation and self-imposed a two-game suspension, a \$250,000 fine, issued a public reprimand, required him to make a public apology and said he had to attend an NCAA rules compliance seminar. Tressel subsequently asked that his suspension be increased to five games.

Ohio State's compliance office said Tuesday that upcoming seminars are set for May 16-20 in Tucson, Ariz., or June 6-10, in Tampa, Fla. Tressel has not indicated which he will attend.

## The Daily Crossword Fix brought to you by The Tanning Center



## ACROSS

- 1 Turned to a life of crime
- 8 Become absorbed
- 14 Eugene O'Neill character?
- 15 Scorched
- 16 Order in a preschool classroom
- 17 NFL coach with the most career postseason wins
- 18 Grant, for one
- 19 Half of the UAR
- 20 Surname of 15th/16th-century Pope Alexander VI
- 21 Physics units
- 23 Not flush
- 25 Is wistful (for)
- 27 1959 winner of a record 11 Oscars
- 29 Debauchee
- 31 In imitation of
- 32 Kinsey Institute Library collection
- 34 Negligible amount
- 35 Summertime response to a wave?

- 39 Skeptic's retort
- 40 Searched, in a way
- 41 Six-time Sugar Bowl victors, briefly
- 42 Literary ID
- 43 Lineups
- 47 Preeminent industrialist
- 49 Guernsey, for one
- 51 Citation space-saver
- 52 Sidestepped
- 54 "Royal Pains" network
- 56 It had a hub at JFK
- 57 Took umbrage at
- 58 Familiarize
- 60 Cocktail flavored with orgeat syrup
- 61 "Viaducts Break Ranks" painter
- 62 Extra number
- 63 6-Down, nowadays

- 1 In abundance
- 2 Call into question
- 3 Biomedical research agcy.
- 4 Itinerary nos.
- 5 Puts up gates, say
- 6 Olds introduced in '98
- 7 Bespeckle
- 8 City with the newspaper
- 9 Ambien maker
- 10 Chutney fruit
- 11 Prosaic
- 12 Harlem
- 13 Joseph of ice cream fame
- 14 Canaan infiltrator
- 20 Big name in candy corn
- 22 Word with cake or metal
- 24 Sources
- 26 "A Tiger Walks" star
- 28 Catering dispenser
- 30 Menacingly complex, as a bureaucracy
- 33 Murky
- 34 Frequent producer for Eminem
- 35 Highest degree
- 36 Volcanic glass

- 37 Frankfurter adjective
- 38 "Not stepping \_\_\_ the bounds of modesty": Juliet
- 42 Ready to roll
- 44 Fifth-century invader of Gaul
- 45 Hardly a moving picture?
- 46 Group of candidates
- 48 Augment
- 50 2009 U.S. Open champ Glover
- 53 Eva Marie's "On the Waterfront" role
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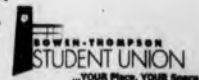
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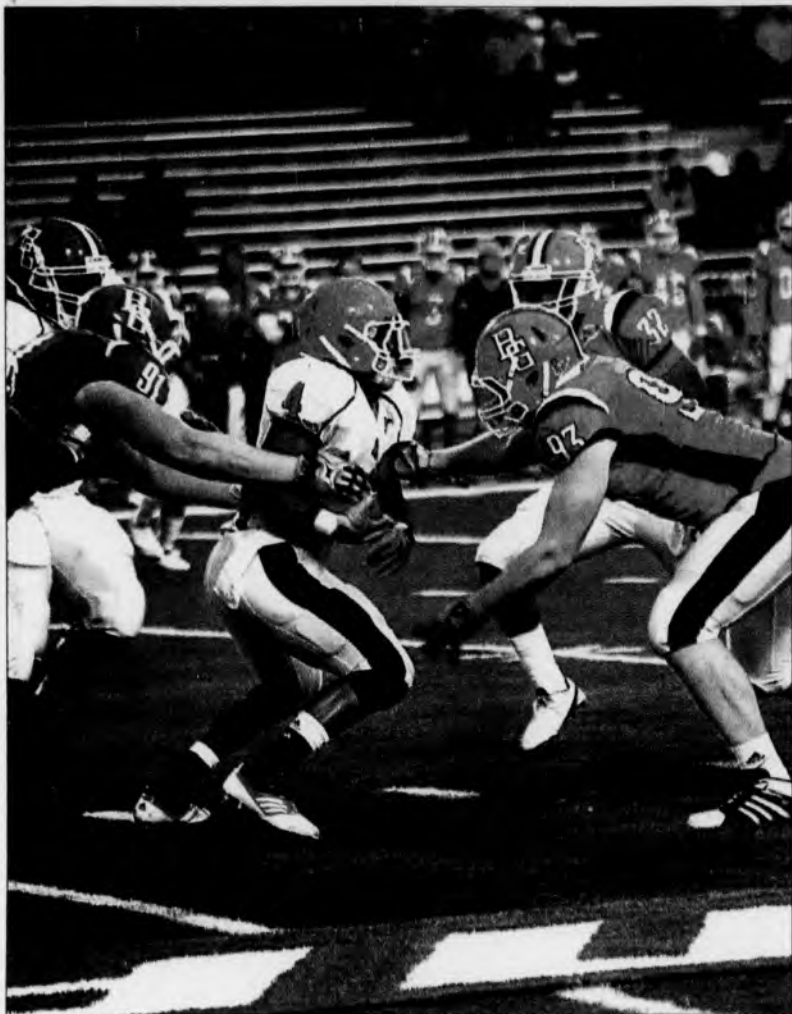


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**DEFENSIVE STAND:** Running back Jordan Hopgood (middle) is wrapped up by BG defenders during the spring game.

## FOOTBALL

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according to Clawson has made progress but still needs improvement.

In the team's first scrimmage of the spring April 2, the offensive line protected well, which allowed the running game to develop and gave quarterbacks Schilz and Trent Hurley a pocket to step into. In the second scrimmage and then spring game, the defensive line got the better of the offensive line. Eleven sacks and a combined 65 yards rushing in the spring game proved just that for BG's defense.

"[It's] going to be critical these next 3.5 months that we take another step forward with [the offensive line] and get better," Clawson added.

The next few months will be painful for Clawson and the coaches, however, as they won't be able to work with the players one-on-one because they can't be out on the field with them and coach them.

"This is really where the leadership of your program has to take over," Clawson said. "Teams that have leadership get a lot done in these next 3.5 months."

Clawson expects Chris Jones, Kevin Alvarado and Dwayne Woods to have good individual seasons this fall as they're "on the cusp of becoming extremely good players" in the Mid-American Conference and against every team the Falcons play.

The third-year coach was also able to get a good look at the players who showed improvement, which spring

football is all about.

"Spring is really about who are the improved guys, who are the guys that are from a level that maybe they couldn't play or they could play limited snaps to they can become full-time players," Clawson said.

On defense, Clawson was happy with the spring of defensive lineman Ted Ouellet.

"He really put together 15 solid practices of great effort and executing his technique, his assignment and making plays," Clawson said.

Clawson is excited for some of the younger players in his secondary, including Ryland Ward, Aaron Foster, Jude Adjei-Barimah and DeVon McKoy, who played very little or didn't play at all last season. This season, all four are expected to play a lot of football.

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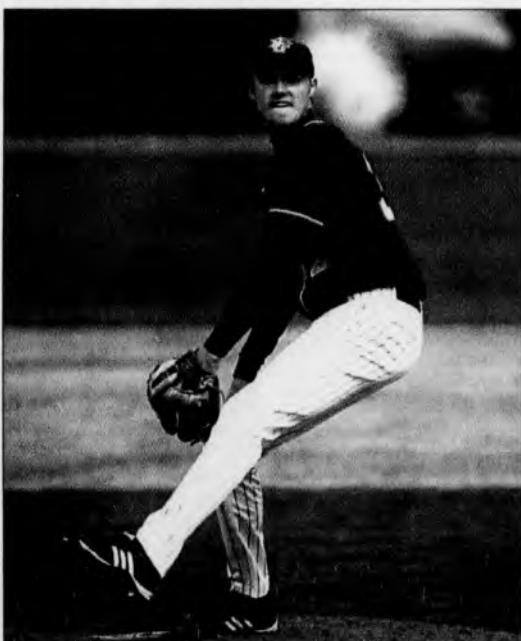
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